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Election of Species

Applicants hereby affirm the election, without traverse, to prosecute the invention of

Group II, claims 15-30. The Group II claims relate to a pulserate detector, one embodiment of

which, is consonant with at least the description on page 5, lines 5-12 of the specification.

Claims 1-14 are hereby canceled as being drawn to a non-elected waveform scrubber invention

as described on page 4 at lines 19-27.

Submission of Prior Art

As requested by the Examiner, Applicants are enclosing herewith, copies of References

N and O listed on the information disclosure statement filed October 23, 1997. Applicants are

also enclosing herewith a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement listing a prior art

reference that Applicants have recently been made aware of.

Response to Rejection of Claims 15, 16, 18-30 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112 second paragraph

The Examiner rejected Claims 15, 16, 18-30 under U.S.C. § 112 second paragraph. The

Examiner stated that Claims 15, 16, and 18-30 would be allowable if amended to overcome the

rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Applicants have amended Claims 15, 18, 29,

and 30 to overcome minor informalities as suggested by the Examiner. In view of the foregoing

amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 15, 16, and 18-30 are now in condition

for allowance, and Applicants request allowance of same.

Summary

Claim 17 stands allowed. In view of the above amendments, Applicants respectfully

submit that Claims 15, 16, and 18-30 are also in condition for allowance and Applicants

respectfully request allowance of same.

The undersigned has made a good faith effort to respond to all of the rejections in the

case and to place the claims in condition for immediate allowance. Nevertheless, if any

undeveloped issues remain, or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is respectfully

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requested to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at 714-721-6305 or at the telephone number listed below.

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